area. It must consist of two layers of corrosion-resistant metal wire of $20\ x$ $20\ mesh$ or finer, spaced not less than 1 cm $(0.4\ inch)$ or more than 4 cm $(1.6\ inches)$ apart. The screen may be removable if means for securing it in place when in service are provided.

- (8) The hold or compartment may not be fitted with any gooseneck type vent trunk head.
- (9) Any electrical apparatus located in the hold or compartment must be capable of being disconnected from its power source by a positive means located outside the hold or compartment.

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§176.210 On deck stowage requirements.

Cylinders of Class 2 (compressed gas) materials being transported by vessel must be protected from radiant heat which, including the direct rays of the sun by structural erections or awnings. A tarpaulin covering the cylinders is not acceptable if it comes in contact with them.

§176.220 Smoking or open flame and posting of warning signs.

- (a) Smoking or the use of open flame is prohibited in any hold or compartment containing a Division 2.1 (flammable gas) material, near any Division 2.1 (flammable gas) material stowed on deck, or near any ventilator leading to a hold containing this material.
 - (b) A sign carrying the legend:

FLAMMABLE VAPORS KEEP LIGHTS AND FIRE AWAY NO SMOKING

must be conspicuously posted at each approach to an "on deck" Division 2.1 (flammable gas) material stowage area and near each cargo hold ventilator leading to a hold containing this material. The sign must be painted on a white background using red letters. The letters may not be less than 8 cm (3 inches) high.

§176.225 Stowage of chlorine.

Chlorine (UN 1017) must be stowed separate from copper or brass leaf

sheets and from finely divided organic material.

§176.230 Stowage of Division 2.1 (flammable gas) materials.

Division 2.1 (flammable gas) materials transported in Specification 106A or 110A multi-unit car tanks must be stowed on deck only, and must be shaded from radiant heat.

Subpart I—Detailed Requirements for Class 3 (Flammable) and Combustible Liquid Materials

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§176.305 General stowage requirements.

- (a) A Class 3 (flammable) or combustible liquid must be kept as cool as reasonably practicable and be stowed away from all sources of heat and ignition.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in §176.76(g), a package containing a Class 3 (flammable) liquid and equipped with a vent or safety relief device must be stowed "on deck" only.
- (c) The following requirements apply to each hold or compartment in which any Class 3 (flammable) or combustible liquids are being transported:
- (1) The hold or compartment must be ventilated except that the stowage of non-bulk packages of Class 3 (flammable) liquids with a flash point above 23 °C (73 °F) (see 49 CFR 171.8 definitions) may be in non-ventilated holds.
- (2) Stowage of a Class 3 (flammable) or combustible liquid within 6 m (20 feet) of a bulkhead which forms a boundary or deck of a boiler room, engine room, coal bunker, galley, or boiler room uptake is not permitted. If the amount of the liquid to be stowed in a hold will not permit compliance with the requirement for a 6 m (20 foot) separation, less separation distance is authorized if at least one of the following conditions exists:
- (i) The bulkhead or deck is covered with at least 8 cm (3 inches) of insulation on the entire area subject to heat;
- (ii) A temporary wooden bulkhead at least 5 cm (2 inches) thick is constructed in the hold at least 8 cm (3 inches) off an engine room or 15 cm (5.9